

Writer to discuss life in China

by Barbara Wittman

Life in China after China's emergence from the deep freeze of Mao's regime is the topic of the last Artist and Lecturer Series Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the University Center.

Orville Schell, an author of several books about China, offers a rare and personal look into China and the unique way of life in this country of almost one billion people.

"Westerners like to think the Chinese are becoming more like us, but we miss the picture," the author wrote in a Feb. 16 Newsweek article.

Schell, who holds a Ph.D. in Chinese history from the University of California, Berkley, has lived and worked in China, tilling the

soil with farmers, working in a bamboo factory and speaking with Chinese people on all social levels. His books include "The China Reader," "Modern China," "The Story of a Revolution" and "The People's Republic."

"There is an aspect of self-congratulation in America's new found friendliness for China," Schell wrote in his Newsweek article. "One wonders if our rapprochement with our former enemy really grows out of a deeper understanding of the Chinese and their unusual revolution or simply out of a sense of relief that they are at last becoming more like us."

He also wrote that one can only wonder what China's next reversal will bring.

"Our perceptions of China have rarely been free of bias and our feelings toward China's leaders have always grown out of our estimation of how well they measure up to our hopes for them."

Schell, a native of New York City received his bachelor's degree at Harvard University in 1964 in Far Eastern Studies. Both his master's and doctoral degree in Chinese history were granted by the University of California, Berkley in 1968 and 1969, respectively.

Three of Schell's books, two on China and one on Gov. Jerry Brown of California, are in the LSUS Library.

The public is invited to hear Schell at LSUS. There is no admission.



Orville Schell, writer and expert on Chinese culture will speak Thursday in the UC.

Students to discuss trip to Washington

Three students who attended the presidential symposium in Washington D.C. will discuss three aspects of the study at the Liberal Arts Colloquium Tuesday.

The colloquium will begin at 12:30 in the Caddo Bossier Room in the University Center.

Donna O'Neal, a journalism major, will speak on the president's relationship with Congress while Lanier LaFitte, an economics-finance major, will discuss Reagan economics.

Linda Compton, a speech major, will discuss presidential style. Compton said the trip was "an opportunity of a lifetime," and that she would like to go back.

Dr. Marvin Stottlemire

and Dr. Luvonia Casperson accompanied the students as faculty advisors to the symposium March 19-22.

Highlights of the trip included speeches by political and media representatives, a conference with U.S. congressman Buddy Roerner and a sightseeing tour of Washington's historical sights.

O'Neal, LaFitte and Compton were chosen to go on their trip because of their capacity to benefit from the experience and to share that experience with other students.

The students have taped a segment of "Interview," channel 3's public affairs broadcast with host, Jack Hodges. The program will air Sunday at 3 p.m.

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Grant freeze a 'headache'

by Jack Mitchell

The Reagan administration has imposed a processing freeze on grant applications that will do more harm than good, according to Ed Chase, financial aid director at LSUS.

The freeze is intended to give Congress time to act on an administration proposal to change the process of determining eligibility of grant applicants.

Eligibility for the grant

program is currently determined by a formula using a number of variables: the present cost of living, taxes, inflation and family income. The product of the formula is the "family contribution schedule" or "eligibility index," the number used to determine eligibility.

The administration's plan to cut the grant program calls for a change in the formula so as to increase the eligibility index. This, Chase said, is the least desirable method as it will lead to processing delays and administrative headaches.

Chase said that the administration's formula change will have to be republished and presented to Congress for action. There it will be held for a 45-day comment period. Should Congress make any changes or veto the plan, Chase said the new plan would have to be republished and another 45-day comment period observed. All of this will happen while the processing freeze is on.

The National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, a lobbyist organization of financial aid directors, favors a change in the maximum eligibility index. Chase said that would bring about fewer administrative headaches and accomplish the same results as the administration's plan.

The application processing freeze will cause a serious backlog on grant

applications. Chase said that the earliest possible date for a lifting of the freeze is mid-May and, with the processing back-up, it could be as late as mid-August before any grant applications are answered. The fall semester begins in late August.

"It's a frustrating situation," Chase said. "It's frustrating for the student, for the parents and for us in the financial aid office. The students have less time to initiate any additional paperwork required and it already takes a minimum of four weeks for corrections to be made on applications."

Chase said that, although nothing definite has been proposed by the administration, rumoured cutbacks in the guaranteed student loans would have a more far-reaching effect on students than the grant cutbacks. The guaranteed student loan program offers students low-interest loans by paying interest subsidies to private lenders. The rumoured cuts involve raising interest rates and cutting off the interest subsidies while the student is in school. This, Chase said, will make the loans more expensive and possibly drive away potential lenders.

Chase emphasized that students who feel they have a need for a grant or a loan should still submit an application. The Financial Aid Office is in Room 148, Bronson Hall.



One of the highlights of Spring Fling, which begins Monday, is the Vann Company band, featuring "E.T." The band, who has played at several local clubs, will perform in front of the UC on Wednesday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The group plays pop music and features audience participation.

Other spring activities planned by the Program Council for next week are a treasure chest hunt, a car bash, a pig roast, a style show, contests and a country and western dance.

Editorials

Varsity sports: yes or no?

There's been a lot of discussion lately concerning intercollegiate sports at LSUS. Should we, or should we not invest the time, money and energy necessary to begin a sports program?

That question has been hotly debated by students, faculty and administration, and Chancellor Bogue has even appointed a sports feasibility committee to look into the pros and cons of the subject.

At the last committee meeting, most of those present expressed concern and reservations about a varsity athletics program. Among the negative aspects mentioned were the cost, possible affiliation problems and an academic deterioration of the school.

These are valid concerns, but they can all be worked out with more investigation into the possible solutions.

The cost of an intercollegiate program would not be overwhelming at first. If LSUS starts off with a smaller program, for example, including only tennis, golf, volleyball or other "spring sports," the money could be raised through student fees and across-the-board allocations from each department.

It is doubtful that a small program would deprive any individual academic department of pencils or paper.

Concerning affiliation problems, we are not likely, at an early stage of the game, to get involved in any recruitment scandals. It would not be necessary to offer scholarships at first, and therefore recruitment problems or scandals would be avoided.

As for academic deterioration, it would not necessarily be true that (as one faculty member put it) entering freshmen's ACT scores would drop dramatically. To assume that an influx of "dumb jocks" would occur is unfair stereotyping.

Dr. Melvin W. Harju, chairman of the department of economics and finance, said it well at the last committee meeting: "Competition enhances the quality of a person's development." Physical, as well as purely mental development is necessary in order to produce quality graduates.

You have to walk before you run. And intercollegiate sports at LSUS can begin slow and develop gradually.

Questions about dormitories and spectator seating are moot now. Details can be worked out later.

We would like to see intercollegiate sports at LSUS. We don't believe that a varsity sports program would endanger our academic quality.

One good foundation on which to build a sports program would be women's athletics. But there are other alternatives. The point is that some program should be considered now. It is our hope that the feasibility committee makes a recommendation to the chancellor in favor of intercollegiate sports.

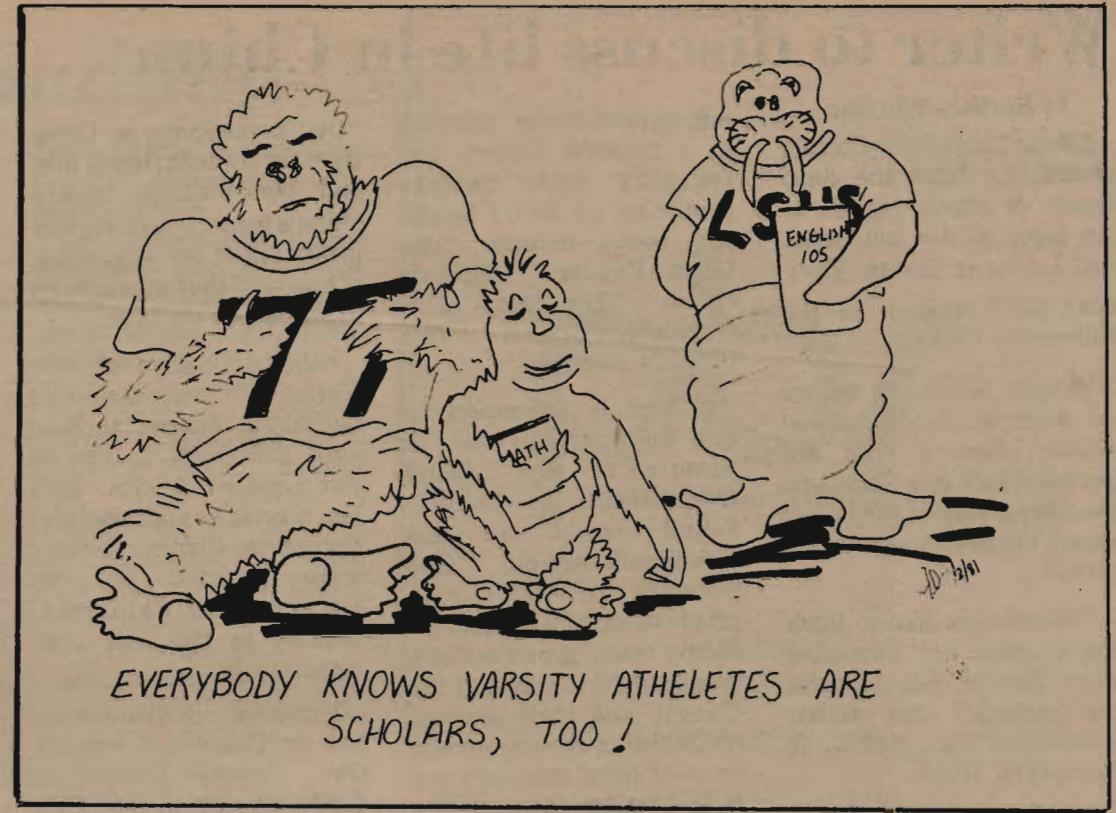
Gun control laws need scrutinizing

The President, a 70-year-old man whose only crime was public service, is in George Washington University Hospital after undergoing surgery to remove a bullet from his lung. His press secretary faces an uncertain future if indeed he has a future, his brain irreparably damaged by another gun shot. Two law officers were injured in the same attack, and still the debate on handgun control goes on.

Monday's attack has, once again, breathed new fire

into the proponents of gun control. The tragedy, along with past assaults on national leaders, has put America's reckless attitudes toward handguns under close scrutiny — and they don't stand up well.

The people who scream that registering firearms is a violation of their personal rights should do some soul-searching and ask themselves the question, "What about the personal rights of Ronald Reagan, Jim Brady and the others?"



Student Forum

Teachers are human too

First came student apathy. Now comes invasion of the teacher attitude syndrome. Many teachers give their all in class, but don't look for them after the bell rings.

After encountering numerous student complaints concerning the teacher attitude syndrome I took a mini-survey on campus. The survey was comprised of 75 LSUS students picked at random without regard to race, sex or student status.

The "major" complaint expressed by students was not being able to discuss academic problems with a teacher in his/her office. According to the student survey, 65 of the students interviewed felt the teachers implied that students were infringing on "their time" (meaning the teacher's time). Many students shared the opinion that visits with colleagues, personal phone calls and having that cola or cup of coffee without interruption tend to be viewed by many instructors as the number one priority concerning their out-of-class time.

Five students complained of not only being cut short by their teacher, but having their brief exchange echoed down the hall! Three students said they were welcomed by heavy sighs and pained expressions of annoyance. Shocking as it may be, two students complained of being totally ignored by their teacher until finally giving up and leaving the office. One of the two students said she and her instructor were the only ones in the office!

By many, such conduct is considered inexcusable. Several students said they sought aid on numerous occasions from other teachers in the same department since they felt they couldn't seek help from their classroom teacher. However, the majority said they sought their favorite teacher on most occasions rather than their advisor to ask how to cope with such instructors.

It is also apparent, according to the survey, that certain departments are generally

more plagued than others by the teacher attitude syndrome. For instance, the science department got the worst ratings while the English department received the best ratings.

These statistics, however, are somewhat inconclusive without further investigation of student-teacher relationships, teacher work loads and the particular demands and stress that each department must certainly endure.

Though our teachers are paid for such services to the student by the taxpayer, we cannot ignore their point of view. We often overlook the fact that our teachers are human too. They have to deal with family problems, meet deadlines and endure hectic schedules. Students aren't always appreciative of the extra time teachers sometimes don't have, but make, in order to deal with problems.

Regardless of the emotional stress teachers are subjected to, it is not supposed to interfere with their teaching abilities. Perhaps it would help if they could take time off, but they are expected to keep things in perspective no matter what.

Due to the fact that most of our teachers tend to be overworked and under paid, I assume that those who chose a teaching profession did so for personal reasons rather than financial gains. It cannot be overlooked that LSUS is blessed with many excellent instructors. Students cannot continue to take their instructors for granted, nor can instructors continue ignoring the responsibility they have to their students. I feel a little courtesy on behalf of both parties could alleviate the majority of the problems. A simple thank-you by the student as well as encouragement from the instructor should minimize the attitude problem that has apparently been over running the LSUS campus.

— Lisa Booth

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Ask the chancellor

Registration to be improved

QUESTION: When is LSUS going to set up a pre-registration system so that students can register early and not have to stand in line?

ANSWER: Pre-registration is but one instrument for reducing the number and length of lines at registration time. Other computer-based options are also possible. An important variable also to be considered in redesign of registration systems is cost, as well as convenience.

The University is acquiring a new IBM 4331 computer installation this April. I know that Vice Chancellor Smith, who now has responsibility for admissions and records, will be working with the staff of that office in looking for ways to improve the registration system at LSUS. I am sure that he will be seeking suggestions from faculty, staff, and students.

E. Grady Bogue
Chancellor

Commentary

Shooting raises many questions

The attempted assassination of President Reagan will stir up the advocates of gun control to push their issue even harder with what they believe is new and powerful ammunition.

But cries and the movement will slowly fade in a few weeks just as it did after the murder of John Lennon.

If someone sets out to kill a famous figure, for whatever disturbed reasons he deems important, the killer will usually find a way, any way, to do it.

Hinckley was close enough to use a grenade or dynamite. He could not have been thinking of self-preservation anyway. And do not kid yourself that

these weapons are not obtainable; everyday we hear on the news about the raiding of some house where the What's-their-face Liberation Front had stored explosives and automatic weapons.

True, stricter gun control laws would have made it more difficult for him to get the weapon he used, but he still would have gotten it. Hinckley was stopped and arrested in an airport with three handguns which were all confiscated; he still got two more to use on Monday.

If he had been denied the handguns at the pawnshop he could have purchased them on the street corner from an entrepreneur who does not give receipts.

There is a need for some

type of gun control in this country, but it is needed for all of the families blown apart in an argument on a hot summer night, for the drunken showdown that leaves someone dead and someone who might as well be and for the criminals who keep death circulating from pawnshop to pawnshop.

Do not use the one-in-a-million nut case or the emotional shock of a nation to further a cause. If you are going to really go after a problem, tackle it on all levels and present all sides and then remember that this is a democracy and the people must still decide for themselves. You cannot protect people from themselves if they do not want you to.

—Ken Martin

A president is wounded. His press secretary is nearly killed. A secret service agent and a D.C. street cop are critically injured. And a young man—an all-American athlete in high school—is charged with trying to assassinate the president of the United States.

These are the events—in a nutshell—which stunned Americans into sober silence as the country simultaneously sucked in a breath in horror as television networks replayed—again and again and again—Monday's seconds-long assassination attempt.

Looking back upon the scene, as raindrops from a dreary Washington sky

pattered upon both the pavement and three wounded washing into the gutter in blood-red rivulets, the most relevant question is not WHY, but HOW?

How, in the nation's capitol—where secret service agents should know every nook and cranny inside and out? How, in a supposedly strict security system—where the press must have visible identification to get within 10 feet—the killer's estimated firing distance—of the president?

These questions—and more—are being asked both by citizens and the government. But while the questions come easily, the answers are much more elusive.

Clearly, something must be done to stop these senseless shootings. Should a strict handgun law be imposed? Should our president become almost a hermit from the public? Surely, these cannot be the answers.

"Not to this president! It won't happen to this president," Maureen, Reagan's daughter, cried passionately after hearing of the attempted murder.

But unless an answer is found, such passionate pleas likely will go unheeded. After all, there's always another chance. The old saying, "Lightning doesn't strike twice in the same place" doesn't work for killers.

—Donna O'Neal

What we have here is the proverbial mountain made out of a molehill.

The molehill is Secretary of State Alexander Haig's comments after the assassination attempt Monday on who was in command at the White House. The mountain is the overblown reaction by the national media to those comments.

Was Haig out of line? Possibly so. There is no clear line of succession from the president to vice president to secretary of state, at least not constitutionally as Haig stated there was.

But whether it was out of line or not, what Haig did during those confusing hours was something that needed to be done. Somebody had to take command momentarily.

What seems to be overlooked is Haig's statement that he was in charge of the White House "pending the return of the vice president." Haig technically overreached his authority, but it is clear that he intended to relinquish that authority upon the return of the vice president.

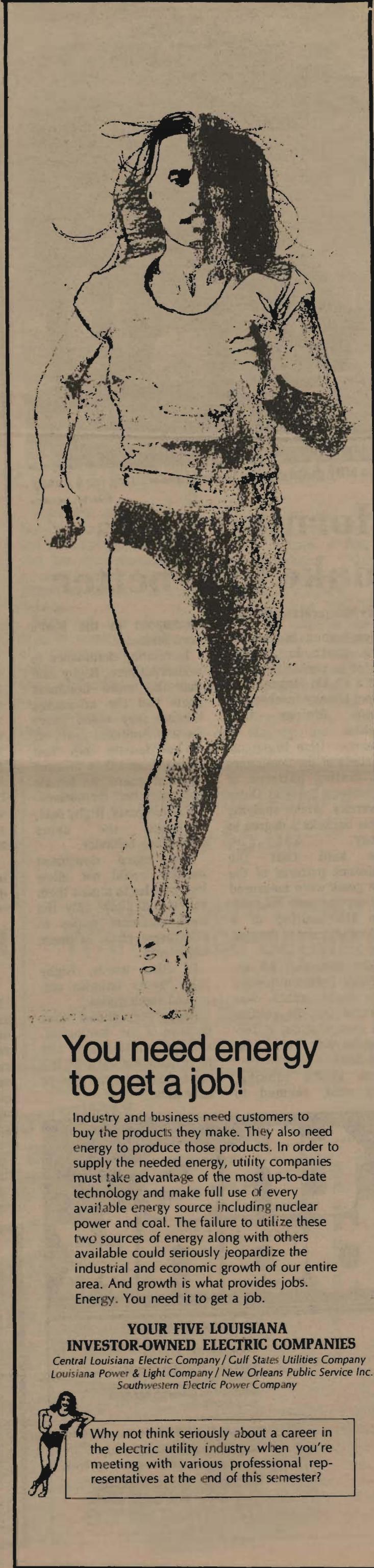
Haig acted accordingly, Monday afternoon. For a few hours the country was in

a state of real emergency. The president was undergoing surgery, the vice president was away in Texas. In a world in which total annihilation can occur in a few minutes, in a world in which the Polish situation threatens the possibility of

war, in a world where a misconception by a superpower could lead to destruction—in such a world there always needs to be a clear message to our enemies and allies that the government is in control.

Monday afternoon, Haig sent that message.

—Steve Bannister



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Two billy goats grazin' in the grass waiting for a nanny.

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Horniest goats make love better

by Margaret Dornbusch

Dominance in Toggenberg goats is directly related to sexual behavior, said a Caddo Magnet High School biology teacher at a recent Biology Club meeting.

Teacher Glen Rigby did the study of the dominance and mating patterns of Toggenberg goats at Dulce University while studying for his bachelor's degree in biology.

He said that the dominance patterns of the male goats were measured by observing their behavior from the rooftop of a building adjacent to the goat pens.

Rigby said that all antagonistic behavior toward other male goats was measured and the results, after compilation, determined the rank of each goat in the herd.

Each goat's ranking, Rigby said, seemed to

correspond to the goat's horn diameter.

In relating dominance to sexual patterns, Rigby said that the more dominant goats had the advantage because they would shove the less dominant goats off of the female they had mounted, and then proceed to either guard the female or mount her themselves.

Female goats, Rigby said, exhibited the same dominance behavior.

The more dominant females would not allow lesser males to mount them and would allow only the more dominant males to even come close to them, Rigby said.

In other words, Rigby said, "some females outranked some males."

Rigby concluded that because of the dominance-mating relationship, the more dominant the goat, the more chance for the goat to have kids.

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Roll down a window!

by Ken Martin

Spring has done sprung and summer is just around the corner with warm weather, cut-offs, catching rays and going barefoot, but do you know how to really enjoy summer? Drive with the windows down.

There are really only two things you need to know to enjoy the wonders of organic air conditioning. The first is how to put your arm out the window.

Traditionally you rest your elbow on the window sill and grab the gutter along the edge of the roof with your fingers. Using the window sill as an armrest and grabbing the outside mirror is okay, but unless you have skinny fingers it is hard to use the mirror.

One other widely-used method is to fully extend your fingers while holding them together and then slap the roof to the beat of the music on the radio. When you do this it is also customary to nod your head to the music, slouch just a little and half close your eyes.

Second, turn the radio or tape deck all the way up. This will let everyone know what type of music you are listening to, allow you to catch the full instrumentation of the songs and is the only way you will be able to hear the thing with a 60 mph breeze blowing in your ear.

When you leave your driveway start playing something that has some energy and just plain makes you feel good; the national anthem for instance, Lynyrd Skynyrd's "Free Bird." As you move out onto the road you will want to gradually warm up the engine and the rubber; you need ROCK AND ROLL. A good place to start is somebody's version of "Johnny B. Goode." Then move to newer rockers like AC/DC's "You Shook Me All Night Long." Bob Seger's "Get Out of Denver" will cut heavy traffic like butter and put a permanent twitch in your accelerator foot.

When you get tired of dragging Main, try some long-haul night-screaming down a backwoods blacktop. For

chasing headlights down a fence row, you cannot beat vintage road songs; get Bruce Springsteen's "Born to Run," Golden Earring's "Radar Love," and Steppenwolf's "Born to be Wild."

Soon you will even get the look. Your left arm will be much tanner than your right, the hair on the left side of your head will be swept back over your ear with a few bugs in it and you will have one dry armpit.

Just remember that you are still one step below a convertible and you will do just fine.

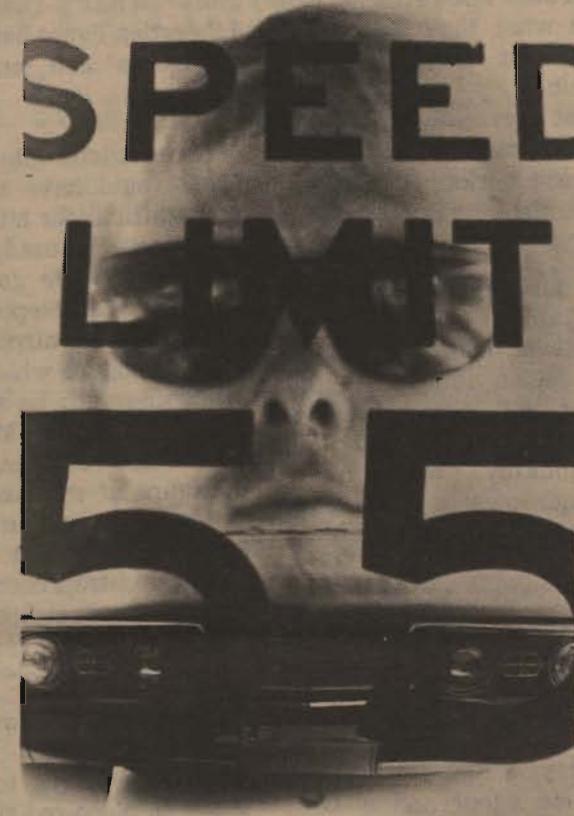


Photo by: Ken Martin

Teacher takes program to streets

by Leslie Bland

Four years ago, Jim Miller began working with the Joys of Learning program. At that time the program was just an experiment to see if nursing home residents were interested in having college instructors lecture on their areas of expertise.

During a course, Jim Miller, assistant professor of history, visits an area nursing home once a week

for six consecutive weeks. He lectures on Louisiana history and tries to get feedback from his audience.

The residents look forward to the lectures because they are something different and enjoyable, Miller said.

When comparing the nursing home students with those he teaches at LSUS, Miller says those at the nursing home tend to be more open.

"If they don't agree with something that's said, they will let you know," Miller said. Generally, they are more inquisitive and they don't like to take anything at face value. If they don't understand, they will ask about it, he said.

The Joys of Learning program has expanded to Bienville and DeSoto parishes since its initiation four years ago. The program is currently funded by the Louisiana Council for the Humanities.

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ALPHA PHI

Turnout at the movie for Sister of Bordeaux Night was a great success. The evening ended with a trip to the Blarney Stone. Let's keep up the active participation.

Everyone had a great time at the formal. Thanks to the decorations committee for a job well done. Also, thanks to the entertainment committee for a definitely different experience.

The actives would like to thank the pledges for the party Sunday afternoon at Jayna's. It was very impressive.

If anyone is interested in softball, a SPAR league is forming a softball team. Practices will be at Barrett Field. Contact Donna Bordelon for more information.

Reminder to the actives: The meeting on April 6 will be formal at Beverly Pierce's home.

Remember to reserve May 15, 16 and 17 for Rush Workshop. Plan to attend. Your presence is mandatory!

ZETA TAU ALPHA

Eta Omega received the Attendance Award (for highest percentage of membership attending) and the Service Award at the Zeta Day awards banquet last Saturday. Members WynNelle Leeth, Tracey King and Marti Wheless won door prizes at the luncheon. General adviser Margaret Teague was the commentator for the fashion show. Eta Omega members who served as models were Leeth, Carla Cochran and Sheryl Moore.

Big Sis — Little Sis ceremony is Monday.

The chapter is hosting an "Obnoxious Party" Saturday from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Haystack Club House. It's BYOB. Dress obnoxiously!

PANHELLENIC ASSOCIATION

A fashion show will be held at noon April 8 at the UC Theater. Fashions are by Elaine's. Tickets are \$2 and will be sold at the door. Proceeds will go to the philanthropies of the three sororities.

PHI DELTA THETA

Phi Delta Theta is hosting a crawfish boil on campus for Spring Fling. There will be 300 pounds of crawfish along with beer and other refreshments. Music will be provided by The Heroes.

La Grande Fete is coming up Saturday, April 18. Featured will be the music of A Train, Southpaw and The Heroes. Free crawfish and beer will be provided, and there will be plenty — 5,000 pounds of crawfish and 100 kegs of beer. Tickets are only \$8 and will be on sale during the Spring Fling crawfish boil.

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The members of the Heroes, (from left) Mark Wallace, Maureen Meredith, Jim Sorensen, Gary Patureau and Scott Rhea, will play "La Grande Fete" April 18.

Photo by: David Sorensen

Heroes to play Expo Hall

by Karen Rosengrant

After six months of rehearsing and rehearsing, the Heroes, a new band which includes three LSUS students, will finally have their first big opening night.

The band will be the opening act at Phi Delta Theta fraternity's "La Grande Fete" April 18 in Exposition Hall.

The members are excited about "La Grande Fete" because it will give them a needed exposure. In the future they hope to purchase a larger P.A. system and to play at some local clubs.

The LSUS students are Jim Sorensen, guitarist, Mark Wallace, bass player, and Gary Patureau, drummer and singer. The other members are Scott Rhea, guitarist and singer, and Maureen Meredith, the main singer.

Most of the members are interested in new wave and punk rock music. Sorensen said they are primarily influenced by the British groups.

The singer, Meredith, said her favorite songs to sing are by the group, Heart. In fact, her voice sounds like a combination of Nancy Wilson of Heart and Pat Benatar.

Some of the group's favorite songs to perform are "Sheena is a Punk Rocker," "Born to be Wild" and "Homicide," Sorensen said.

At their rehearsal in the University Center theater Friday they also played

such songs as "Bad Reputation," "Too Hot to Handle," "Rock n Roll," "Heartbreaker," "Just What I Needed" and "Turning Japanese."

Dancing and jumping around on stage in their black leather jackets, striped shirts and red pants, the Heroes give a lively and colorful performance.

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CEC

The week of April 6-10 has been designated by the LSUS Student Council for Exceptional Children as Exceptional Children's Week at LSUS.

On Monday and Wednesday, film festivals will be held from 10 a.m. to noon. On Thursday there will be a tour of C-BARC from 1-2 p.m. and of Northwest State School from 2-3 p.m.

A course in teaching strategies and techniques will be held from 4-5 p.m. on Thursday.

All activities except the tours will take place in Room 113, Business and Education Building.

Open House

The Pioneer Heritage Center on the LSUS campus will host an open house today from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

From 1-2 p.m., members of the Junior League of Shreveport and officials from LSUS will conduct an informational meeting for the Pioneer Heritage Center with area legislators, city officials, educators and businessmen.

The Pioneer Heritage Center, established in 1978 as a joint project of LSUS and the Junior League, is designed to emphasize the cultural heritage of Northwest Louisiana.

Accounting Club

The Accounting Club will hold its last meeting of the semester at noon, Wednesday, in Room 206, Business-Education Building.

The speaker for the meeting will be John Jayne, accounting and information systems manager at Western Electric. Jayne's topic will be "The Psychological Aspects of Managerial Accounting."

Archives Workshop

A workshop on archival administration and procedures will be held Saturday, April 11 on the LSUS campus. It will be conducted by the Society of Southwest Archivists.

The workshop will involve "hands-on" demonstrations meaning participants will have the opportunity to take part in preserving as well as learning from the lectures, said Pat Meader, president of the Society of Southwest Archivists.

Meader, LSUS archivist, said that the area has "a strong need" for a workshop of this type. "I get weekly calls from the community wanting to know how to best preserve an old letter or diary," she said. Meader added that there is no preservation conservation lab in about a 200 mile radius of Shreveport.

She emphasized that the program is open to anyone who is interested, including students who are interested in museum work or historical preservation. Even people who are in a historical society may not have the training necessary to properly preserve something, she said.

Bowling

The Spring Fling Doubles Bowling Tournament will be held at Tebbe's Bowlero April 4-5 from 3 to 5 p.m. Students and faculty are encouraged to enter. Team partners do not have to be members of LSUS.

Entry fees will be \$7. There will be first and second place trophies given and also trophies for male and female high games.

LSUS Chorus

The LSUS University Chorus will present its spring music program at noon, April 22 and 7 p.m. April 23 in the University Center Theater.

Norma Jean Locke is the director and Nancy Griswold is the accompanist for the 43-voice chorus.

The program features early sacred and secular music; folk, patriotic, novelty and popular songs and selections from Broadway.

There is no admission.

Calendar

April 3

Movie — Luchino Visconti's "The Innocent." 7 p.m. in the UC Theater. Free with current LSUS ID, \$1.50 without.

April 4-5

Spring Fling Bowling Tournament. 3-5 p.m. at Tebbe's Bowlero Lanes. Registration is \$7

April 6

Spring Fling Activities — April 6-10. Spring Fling Carnival Day — 500 balloons will be released at noon to start the week's festivities. Booths will be set up by organizations.

April 7

Treasure Chest hunt begins. Clues found in UC stairwell.

Women's Mud-Wrestling Contest — 12:30 p.m. Sponsored by Kappa Alpha.

Final date for dropping courses or resigning from the university.

April 8

Panhellenic Style Show. Noon in the UC Theater.

Three-mile run. Starts at 1 p.m. near the fountains.

Vann Co. will entertain in the mall from 1-4 p.m.

Natchitoches Meat Pie Dinner — 11:30-2 p.m.

April 9

Beach Day — Hawaiian Luau will be held. Check the Program Council Calendar for times.

April 10

Phi Delta will sponsor a crawfish boil. Spring Fling special events will be held: Kissing Contest, Ugly Pet Contest, Hairy Chest Contest and the University Center Birthday Cake will be cut.

Spring Fling Dance — Music by Atchafalaya. 9 p.m.-1 a.m. in the UC ballroom. Admission is \$3 per person. Beer will be provided.

Ag Club

The LSUS Agriculture Club will hold a meeting Monday at 5 p.m. in Room 207, Science Building. Topics to be discussed will be the meat pie sale and the plant booth.

All club workers who plan to work in the booth should check with Dr. John G. Hall for hours to be worked.

Athletics Study

The committee studying the possibility of establishing intercollegiate sports for women and men at LSUS is concerned with insuring an opportunity for each student to have input into its decision. Now is your chance to let the University know how you feel about athletics on campus.

Athletics Feasibility Poll
Questionnaire to be given out in Classes
Monday - Tuesday - Tuesday Evening
3,000 Students to be polled

Spring Fling Race

A five-kilometer race (3.1 miles) will be held Wednesday at 1 p.m. as a part of Spring Fling.

Budweiser is donating trophies, beer and T-shirts for the run.

Runners should pre-register in Room 231, University Center, by Tuesday. There is no entry fee.

Style Show

The Panhellenic Council at LSUS will present "Spring Fever," a style show featuring fashions from Elaine's on Wednesday at noon in the LSUS University Center Theater.

The show is sponsored by Alpha Phi, Tri Delta and Zeta Tau Alpha.

Spring and summer ideas on hairstyle and makeup will be featured. Cheryl Holmes, an LSUS alumni with extensive background in fashion, will moderate the show.

Models featured are Janet Kozak, Denise Reppond, Ruth Wong, Tricia Jones, Vicki Jacobson, Kim Smith, Kathy Shaw and Susan Shelby. Music director is Melanie McKnight.

Tickets are \$2 for the Spring Fever Style Show and may be purchased at the door. Proceeds will go to the fund-raising activities of the sororities.

Placement Office

Representatives will be on campus next week to conduct interviews with students for various job openings.

Linda Fridge of SWEPSCO in Shreveport will interview business and marketing majors Tuesday for entry level professional positions. Several positions are open in the accounting, computer science, business and marketing fields.

Sheryl Craft of Pasquier, Batson and Co. in Shreveport will interview accounting majors on Tuesday.

B. J. Wingard of the Internal Revenue Service in Shreveport will interview accounting majors for Internal Revenue agent positions. August and December graduates have priority.

Riley McDaniel and Percy Johnson of the State Civil Service in Baton Rouge will interview majors from all fields Wednesday for a variety of job openings.

Jim Spurlin of Unilab Corp. in Houston will interview majors from all fields Wednesday for sales and sales management positions.

David Oliver of Roberts, Cherry and Co. in Shreveport will interview accounting majors Thursday.

Bennie High of Boy Scouts of America will interview majors from all fields Thursday for management trainee positions. The jobs includes working with community leaders.

A representative from Beecham Products in Slidell, La., will interview majors from all fields Thursday for sales trainee positions. The company sells national brand products such as Calgonite, Cling Free, Sucrets and Aqua-fresh.

For further information or to sign up for an interview, contact Phyllis Graham, director of the Placement Office, Room 116, Science Building.

Jordon to Speak

National Urban League president Vernon Jordon will speak April 9 at 7 p.m. in the Shreveport Convention Hall. The event is presented by the Shreveport Chamber of Commerce and the Sponsoring Committee for the Caddo-Bossier Urban League. Tickets are \$12. Contact Dr. Norman Dolch, associate professor of sociology, for ticket information.

Oh, Stuff it!



Photos by: Ken Martin

by Margaret Dornbusch

For some people, the love of duck hunting and the love of ducks do not mix, but for one LSUS student, the mix results in taxidermy.

Chuck Self, a 21-year-old pre-veterinary major, has been practicing the art of taxidermy since 1973 when he took a correspondence course in taxidermy from a school based in Omaha, Neb.

The school, he said, did not teach him all that he wanted to know, but it was enough to elevate his interest.

To be a good taxidermist, Self said, one must know the animal's habits. Self added that a full-color pictorial book showing the animal in all positions is a must to help the taxidermist pose and paint the animal accurately.

"A master taxidermist uses sculpturing, painting and a knowledge of the animal's anatomy in his craft," Self said.

Working in a storeroom in his home, Self goes through

many steps to mount a bird.

He has to skin the bird and then clean the skin thoroughly. He then molds an artificial body from a woody material and stretches the skin over it.

A powder preservative is used to keep the skin from decaying. The legs and wings of the bird are then wired so they can be posed later. The bird is then mounted on its stand or plaque and sewn up.

Then comes the posing of the bird, the insertion of the glass eyes and the painting of the legs and bill.

Self, who specializes in bird taxidermy, said that it takes anywhere from four-eight hours to mount a bird, depending on how big it is.

Self became interested in taxidermy because he said he wanted to mount the birds he shot.

"I've always been an avid duck hunter," he said, "and I have permits to raise wild fowl."

"Taxidermy," Self said, "is the art of recreating life."

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Acct. firm seeks graduating seniors

by Ellen Trice

Technical skill, campus involvement, personality and attitude will be some of the qualities that Peat, Marwick, Mitchell and Co. will be looking for in applicants when the firm interviews at LSUS on April 14, said Mike Elliott, local audit supervisor for the company.

Elliott, who will do the interviews, was speaker at a recent meeting of the accounting club. He said the firm is seeking students who will graduate within the next 12 months for positions in its Shreveport office as well as in the firm's other offices.

Technical skill is a major consideration, Elliott said. The company has no set rules regarding grade point average. He said that it generally looks for an overall average of 3.0, with a 3.3 average in accounting. He added that consideration is given to grade improvement. If a student gets off to a bad start, the company will keep in mind his progress, Elliott said. Particular importance is placed on grades in theory and intermediate accounting classes, he said.

"Personality is a must to get by," said Elliott. An accountant must have a personality that encourages the trust of clients, but he

also must be able to accept criticism, he said.

Campus involvement, a competitive spirit and a willingness to travel are other qualities sought by the company, according to Elliott. "In any demanding profession you have to be willing to sacrifice a little bit," he said.

Prior experience with an accounting system helps applicants, Elliott said. "We like to see the maturity and experience."

Elliott also said that 35 percent of the people hired by Peat, Marwick, Mitchell

and Co. last year were women. When asked if it helps to be a female applicant he replied, "I don't look at it as an advantage or disadvantage."

The pay for new employees with a bachelor's degree ranges from \$16,750 to \$19,000, said Elliott. The pay is 10 to 15 percent higher for new employees with a master's degree. Elliott said that the master's degree means a year and a half more maturity. The company has found that these people "perform better under pressure," he said.

A good attitude toward the

future will be looked for in the applicants, said Elliott. The company wants people who are willing to work hard and who want to develop new skills, he said.

Elliott told the members of the accounting club that it generally takes five years to reach the management level in the firm. Most partners have been with the firm for nine to 12 years. Elliott said that one out of 10 employees become partners at Peat, Marwick, Mitchell and Co. He added that last year the average income of partners in the company was \$90,000 to \$100,000.

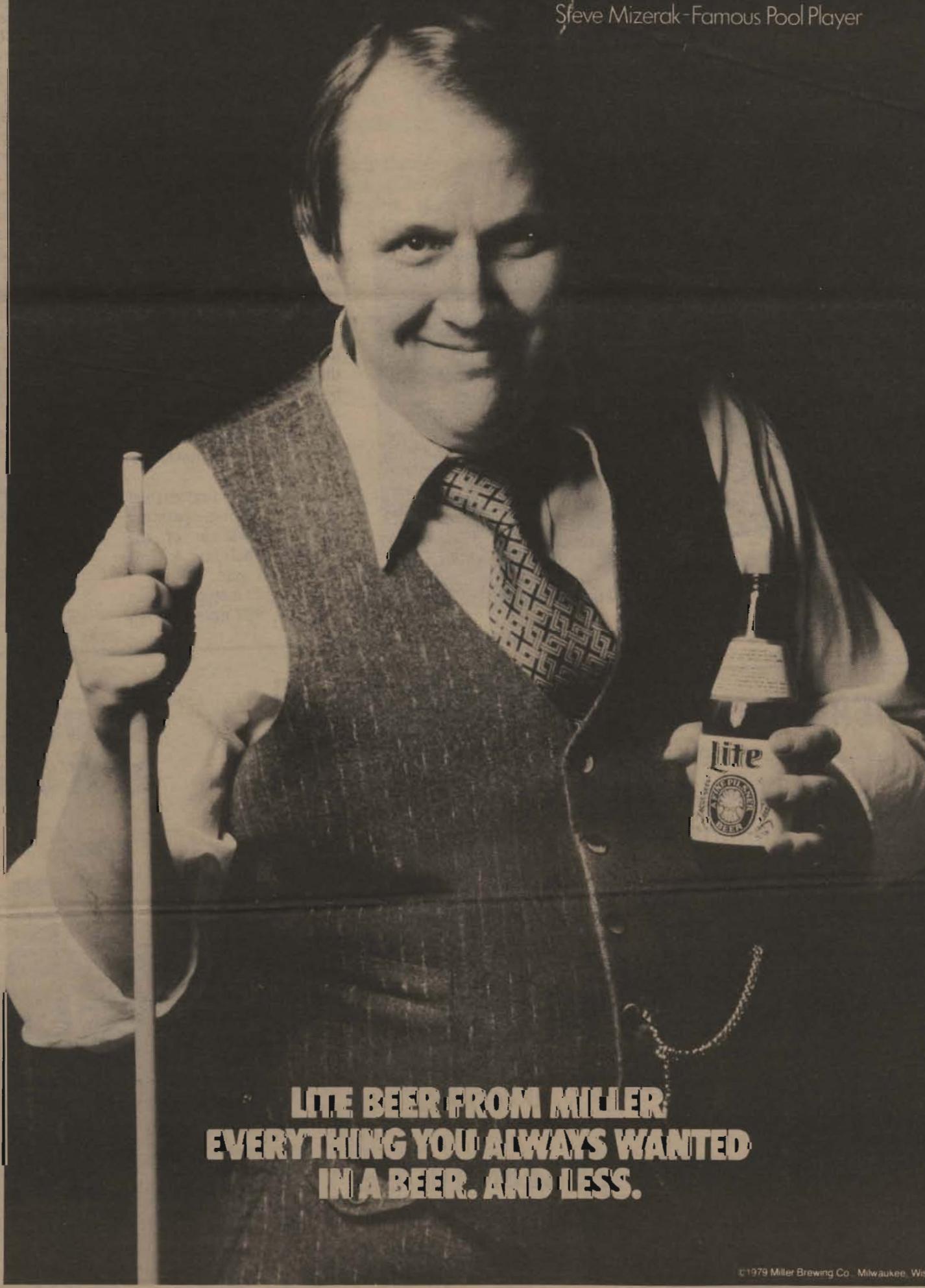
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